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FINAL AREAS OF CONCERN EVALUATION REPORT, DELIVERY ORDER 38,
VANDENBERG AIR FORCE BASE, SANTA BARBARA COUNTY, CALIFORNIA

Dear Ms. Kephart:


The California Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC) and the Central Coast Regional Water Quality Control Board (RWQCB) have reviewed the subject report that was prepared by Montgomery Watson Harza on behalf of Vandenberg Air Force Base (VAFB), dated November 2004, and received November 15, 2004. Work conducted under Delivery Order (DO) 38 includes background studies, soil/groundwater site inspections, alternative analyses, interim remedial actions, and human and ecological risk screening. The subject report presents findings and proposes recommendations for eleven Areas of Concern (AOCs) at VAFB. DTSC and RWQCB provided joint State comments on the draft evaluation report in the April 1, 2004 letter, and VAFB responded via electronic mail on April 26, 2004. Further State comments and VAFB responses to comments were transmitted this year via electronic mail on April 28, April 30, June 7, July 14, July 22, September 10, and October 6.

After thorough reviewing the subject report, the State found that all its comments and concerns have been adequately addressed. As a result, the State hereby approves the report as written and thus concurs with the recommendations presented in the AOC evaluation sheets in the report.

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If you have questions regarding this approval, please call Quang Than of DTSC at (714) 484-5352, or Bill Meece at (805) 542-4632 or Carol Kolb at (805) 542-4625, of the RWQCB.

Sincerely,



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